

WASHINGTON STATE PATROL

PRESS MEMO

DATE: 3-18-06 TIME: 0750 INV UNIT: #K-713 - Trooper Rob Gardiner

HIGHWAY: I-205 LOCATION: Milepost 36

NBR VEH: 1 CARS: 1 TRUCKS: MOTORCYCLES: PEDESTRIANS:

NBR INJ: DECEASED: ALCOHOL INVOLVED: Yes

PERSON(S) INVOLVED

NAME: Chase A. Homer AGE: 19 SEX: Male

CITY: Vancouver DRIVER VEHICLE 1 RESTRAINT / HELMET: YES

INJ / DISP: N/A

VEH1: 1997 Ford Pickup

DAMAGE / DISP: N/A

DESCRIPTION

On March 18, 2006, at approximately 7:50 AM, Trooper Rob Gardiner was working radar on NB I-205 just south of NE 134th Street (Milepost 36). Gardiner observed a black Ford Pickup passing other traffic as it was traveling over the posted speed limit in the left lane. The Ford's speed read 70 MPH in a 60 MPH posted zone. Gardiner observed the driver wasn't wearing his seat belt as he past by his police car parked on the inside shoulder.

Gardiner pulled the Ford over and contacted the driver identified as Chase A. Homer, a 19 year old resident of Vancouver. Homer advised Gardiner he had the right to go 5 MPH over the speed limit and not wear his seat belt if he chooses. Gardiner had Homer exit the Ford when he detected a odor of alcohol coming from the inside the Ford. Homer advised Gardiner he didn't have to produce his driver's license or exit his vehicle. Homer finally exited his vehicle becoming argumentative about all the violations Gardiner was pointing out to him. When Homer was asked about the alcohol, he advised Gardiner he knows how much alcohol he can drink before he drives. Homer was arrested for DUI after submitting to field sobriety tests.

Homer's Ford was impounded and a open bottle of malt liquor was found in the vehicle. The two passengers were released to a 3rd party.

Homer was transported to the Clark County Jail were he submited to a breath test, which indicated he was DUI. Washington State law deems any minor under the age of 21 that has a BAC of .02 is under the influence.

Homer was released to his father after being cited for DUI, Speed, Seat belt violation and violation of Open Container (Alcohol).